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Vermont is making a poor preliminary demonstration of "fire conservation day," or rather property conservation day.

"Admits U. S. Wasn't Prepared" for war. That's no admission at all. Billy, the kaiser, knew that long, long ago.

New York might as well surrender to Chicago on the showing of the two baseball teams in the first two encounters.

It won't do any good to buy up a stock of penny postal cards in anticipation of the 100 per cent raise on Nov. 2, because the government decrees that a one-cent stamp must be affixed to the imprinted postage.

The conservation of munitions by the Germans raises doubt in the minds of the entente allies as to whether the output is being reduced because of the shortage of labor or because the Germans are piling up a reserve in order to prepare for a great offensive drive. A long-distance guess is that the former is the reason.

The German press declares that Secretary of State Lansing is lying when he reveals German trickery, duplicity and about everything else that is mean in diplomacy. Time will tell whether Lansing is lying; for the present the American people believe what he says and, moreover, they believe that the verdict of time will show that he was telling the truth. The government of the United States is not founded on trickery or falsehoods; in fact, it could not live on such a foundation.

There are indications that the people of Vermont are beginning to awaken to the campaign for the second Liberty loan, but there are also indications that the movement must be greatly accelerated if Vermont is to do her share in the floating of the loan. To come down to local conditions, Barre must awaken to the urgent need of subscription if this municipality is to subscribe its minimum quota of \$350,000. All of us must take this matter home to ourselves. We must not let Barre's fine record in connection with the first Liberty loan be dimmed by failure in the present instance. Go to your bank at once and secure information about the manner of purchasing the bonds.

In some places the sale of the second Liberty loan is being stimulated by the display of specimens of the first Liberty loan. The sale would have been tremendously accelerated all over the country if the government had placed the first bonds in the hands of the purchasers before the second issue was thrown on the market. As we have said before, there is no suspicion anywhere that the government will not turn over the bonds, pay interest and then repay the whole amount subscribed; but at the same time there is something in the mere act of possession of the first bonds which would have stirred the public to wish for more of the second issue. In that respect the floating of the second issue was not well timed.

Congress, barring a few members, has earned the approbation of the American people. Most of the members have worked diligently and patriotically (again with a few exceptions) to the end that the sinews of war might be secured and the honor of the United States might be upheld. Once the machinery of the legislation got into working order it worked well and fairly rapidly. The members (most of them) will return to their homes for a brief vacation, convinced that the nation approves of their course of action. The sinews of war have been voted, at least for the outset of active participation in battle by the United States. The next session of Congress may be expected to continue the good work of ridding the world of an actual peril, of a world bully.

The tendency of modern newspaper making has been toward a concentration of efforts; that is, the tendency has been to merge the efforts in the more restricted fields into a single newspaper and to consolidate some of the papers in the larger cities. The result has been that a better newspaper is produced, as a rule, and a lot of waste has been prevented. Along that tendency is the present change in the Boston newspaper field whereby The Herald absorbs The Journal, taking over all the properties of the latter and as much of its good will as can be transferred. The Journal has had a creditable existence of three-quarters of a century, during which time it has retained a remarkable hold on some of the old New England families as long distance outside of Boston as well as in the home city; but in the most recent years the position of the staid old publication has been more or less uncertain, due to political manipulation, so that the customary readers were somewhat shaken in their allegiance. Now they are faced with another situation, in the acquisition of The Journal property by The

Herald, but those who transfer their support along with the sale of the old paper will find that they have a newspaper much to their liking in The Herald, a paper which has been coming rapidly to the front of Boston newspaperdom in the last three or four years. The Herald is of somewhat wider purposes than the old Journal, but it possesses some of the qualities, like reliability, which originally went with the older publication. The change ought to enable the publishers of The Herald to do even better by their readers.

SUCCESS AGAINST THE U-BOAT.

The U. S. navy department timed the announcement of the destruction of a German submarine by an American destroyer just right to counteract the depression that might have come through the loss of a destroyer, which foundered from some cause at present unknown. Or was it just a coincidence that the two events should have occurred almost simultaneously? At any rate the coincident announcement had the effect on the public mind which might have been hoped for, because the destruction of the American cruiser was somewhat clouded in the exultation over the success of the other destroyer in a battle with a submarine and particularly because that success was attained through the use of a method put into operation by the American navy. At the same time the gloom over the loss of the other destroyer was lightened by the assurance that the men aboard the ship were saved. Had the men, or any considerable portion of them, been lost the occurrence would have been hailed as a calamity.

THE LA FOLLETTE INVESTIGATION.

Vermont and Senator Dillingham are honored by the appointment of the senior senator from Vermont to the subcommittee to investigate Senator La Follette's recent speech delivered at St. Paul which has caused such a tide of hostile public sentiment. Senator Dillingham has had an extended experience in the line of investigations and should be able to bring that experience to advantage of the Senate in the present situation. The work of the committee will be made somewhat easier by the fact that the speech to which Americans of every party take exception was received by a stenographer and transmitted to long hand. That stenographic report has not been denied by Senator La Follette at any time since the speech was delivered and, therefore, it forms the basis for the so-called investigation which the Senate subcommittee will make. La Follette's self-defense before the Senate on Saturday afternoon was notable in that it did not make denial of the printed report of the St. Paul speech and that the senator did not make any excuses for the utterances therein contained. La Follette apparently stands on the platform which he made at St. Paul.

He Knew Him.

In his book, "Winnowed Memories," Sir Evelyn Wood relates how he once met a quiet American gentleman in England, and they began to talk of American poetry. Sir Evelyn mentioned the well known poem, "Jim Bludso," which he highly eulogized. "My enthusiastic praise of the poem excited, I thought, an appreciative purr in my companion, but he remarked quietly: "Jim was a fine fellow." "I said, 'Or the author made him so?' "Oh, but he was!" "Why, was he real?" "Yes, I knew him well." "But don't you think that the poet embellished Jim's act?" "No, I am sure he did not." "Well, but how can you be sure?" "And he replied quickly, 'I wrote it.'" The gentleman to whom Sir Evelyn was speaking proved to be Colonel John Hay, author of the "Pike County Ballads," who was then the United States ambassador in London.

The Editor.

Editors, like actresses—beg pardon, like actors—are hidden from the vulgar gaze when off stage. It is not meet that the curtain should be lifted upon personalities, for this might lead to personalities; hence the editor is in a flock all to himself, save when attending conventions.

The editor, be it known, however, has no sorrows. He is a gay lot upon the universe, shifting shiftily from one white page to another, blithering blithely as occasion fits, regretting nothing, daring everything.

The editor fattens upon anonymity. Yet he is human, for when by chance his name appears there is no living with his conceit. And when it is misspelled—ye gods, the masses have their revenge!

Here's to the editor. May he live long and write short!—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

No Recommendation.

Signor Marconi, in an interview in Washington, praised American democracy.

"Over here," he said, "you respect a man for what he is himself—not for what his family is—and thus you remind me of the gardener in Bologna who helped me with my first wireless apparatus."

"As my mother's gardener and I were working on my apparatus together a young count joined us one day, and while he watched us work the count boasted of his lineage."

"The gardener, after listening a long while, smiled and said:

"If you come from an ancient family it's so much the worse for you, sir, for, as we gardeners say, the older the seed the worse the crop."

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It must afford considerable consolation to the navy recruit to realize that the mattress on which he sleeps so comfortably at night will stand him in good stead in case of an accident to the ship. In fact, the very buoyancy which makes it such a comfortable bed is also the quality which makes it possible for it to be converted at a moment's notice into a life preserver, says the Popular Science Monthly.

The mattresses are stuffed with kapok, a lighter than cork material which is imported from the West Indies in bales similar to bales of cotton. It is made from the seeds and silk of a tree not unlike the cotton wood tree, but instead of being in puffy balls the kapok is in slender threads, which when compressed make a mass that is six times more buoyant than cork.

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She Knew What to Take.

Five-year-old Mary, who is always anxious to be in everything that goes on, lives in a small town where the long suffering minister still endures donation parties to make his back salary. Just before the last one she begged eagerly:

"Can't I take something, too, murrver?"

"No. If your father and I take something, that will be plenty."

But the child could not bear to give up the idea. So she ransacked the whole house for something suitable. Finally she appeared before her mother with a worn and faded dress of her own.

"Please, murrver, can't I take this? See, it's not a speck of good for anything," she urged.—Christian Herald.

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A Glimpse of the Russian Peasant.
 Russians are a very methodical people even in their crimes. They do not get excited when anticipating an act against the law; they just make up their minds quietly and freely, as the following story will show:

A man arrived one day at a village where he commenced to lecture that all men were equal and that no government had the right to exercise any authority. Thinking to add more power to his views, he decided to begin by disproving the existence of God.

Taking a holy icon, or sacred picture, he said: "There is no God. I will prove it immediately. I will spit upon this icon and break it. If there is a God he will send fire from heaven and slay me; if there is not, nothing will happen;" whereupon he took the picture and carried out his threat, saying when he had done so, "You see, God has not killed me."

His audience talked quietly among themselves for a few minutes, and then one of them got up and said, "No, God has not killed you, but we will!" And they did without the slightest compunction.—London Standard.

The Circus Business.

The people who are in the circus game are there because of the primitive, wandering call of their blood, a call that dates back for generations. Anybody who's ever been with the big tops will tell you that he hates the business. It's dirty, it's rotten, it's nerve wracking, and if he can ever get to the place where he can have a little farm and a few chickens and a couple of hogs rooting around no mud colored circus big top is ever going to see him again. But, when the blunderbuss sings in the spring and the menagerie dens are bright with the paint that will remain gloriously shining until the first bad day in the mud, there he is, his eyes bulging, his whole being a-fret to "get with it" at any kind of a job from razorback to pony punk. And from the laboring class on up to the highest position that call of the blood is all the same.—Courtney Ryley Cooper in Everybody's Magazine.

Treating Electric Shock.

How to treat a person who has received a severe electric shock is best described by quoting from the Scientific American the account of how one man did it to a workman who had touched a wire carrying a current of 2,300 volts and was apparently killed.

"A fireman immediately took hold of the ankles of the limp body, lifting it until the whole weight rested on the neck and letting it fall. He then took a pair of connectors and hammered the soles of the injured man's feet without removing his shoes. Another fireman opened the man's mouth, pulled forward the swallowed tongue (which occurred in electric shock) and was about to begin the Schaefer prone method of resuscitation when the man returned to life. He was removed to the hospital and is now well, though suffering very severely from his burns."

Disproves a Japanese Proverb.
 "If you sit idly you will lose money every minute," is a liberal paraphrase of a well known Japanese proverb and serves as a protest against idleness. But we cite the case of the great Buddha at Nara, which despite inaction is reaping a fortune. During the past year the Buddha received 351,000 visitors, who paid admission fees aggregating \$9,350. The exaction of a fee to visit the big Buddha began in 1911.—Tokyo Journal.

No False Pride.
 "I'm afraid," her father replied, "you would not be able to support my daughter in the style to which she has become accustomed."
 "Well," the young man said, after he had thought the matter over briefly, "I'm not proud. I'll gladly let you help."—Chicago Herald.

His Failing.
 Harker—Don't Cullen, the tailor, remind you of a doctor? Parker—I should say not. He reminds me of that little bill I owe him every time we meet.—London Telegraph.

Wise Daughter.
 Father—"If you paid more attention to cooking and less to dress, my dear, you would make a much better wife. Daughter—Yes, father. But who would marry me?"

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINTS.

To Avoid Headaches.
 Headaches may be a symptom of indigestion, grippe, typhoid fever, malaria, hysteria, nephritis (inflammation of the kidneys), rheumatism, diabetes, anaemia (impoverished blood), neurasthenia (nerve exhaustion) and neuralgia. There are various kinds of headaches differently localized. A sharp ache, coming in paroxysms and affecting the eyeballs, indicates neuralgia; a sharp and continual pain, hysteria; a dull and diffused frontal and temporal ache is due usually to digestive disturbances, to anaemia or to nephritis; pain at the top of the head (vertex) may come from excessive "nervousness" or from bladder trouble, while sharp aching in the occipital or lower back part of the head may mean a beginning of meningitis, adenoids or merely decayed teeth. To avoid headache the circulation active by proper diet and regular exercise in the open air. Keep the nostrils clear of all obstructions tending to interfere with nose breathing. Have any refractive errors of the eyes promptly corrected and see that the teeth are attended to regularly to prevent dental cavities or softening.

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